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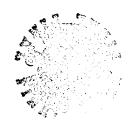
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A true copy,

Llanda Daughin Johnson Municipal Clerk, CMC ADOPTED by the Council
RETURNED WITHOUT SIGNATURE OF THE MAYOR
APPROVED as per City Charter Section 2-403

March 15, 2004

March 24, 2004



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By: Representatives Floyd of the 69th, Post 2, and Marin of the 66th

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